Dear Governor Malloy,

After reading about the plans for the upcoming budget, I have become increasingly concerned about our town of East Hampton. We have had a very difficult time passing a budget in the past few years, partially due to the expense of a needed renovation of our high school, and have cut education costs down to bare bones. Recently, we have voted to have separate budget votes for education, which will most likely further hurt our public schools funding. Now, with the news of losing about \$3,000,000 from state funding, I am frankly afraid for our children and our community. Please reconsider this budget proposal. A great education for our children is the best way to ensure a great future for us all. May I suggest returning the toll booths? Or any other option that does not hurt education and in turn, hurt our children and our future.

Thank you,

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